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Date: November 9, 2020

Subject: Monthly and Annual Engagement Uploads

Authority: IC 5-11-1-2, -4, -9, -10, -21, -24

Application: This Directive applies to all local governmental units

The purpose of this Directive is to provide guidelines for the use of the "Indiana Gateway for Government Units" application entitled "Monthly and Annual Engagement Uploads" (Engagement Uploads). The Engagement Uploads provide a more efficient and cost-effective audit process for governmental units.

This amended directive is effective starting with December 2020 monthly files. The upload of December 2020 monthly files will be due February 15, 2021, and by the 15° of each month thereafter unless the State Board of Accounts (SBOA) establishes a different date. This is effective for 2020 annual files which will be due for upload March 1, 2021, for calendar year end units. For schools and extra-curricular accounts, this is effective for year ending June 30, 2021, which will be due August 29°, 2021. Thereafter, annual files must be uploaded no later than March 1° (August 29° for schools and extra-curricular accounts) for the pror year end unless the SBOA establishes a different date.

All all counties, cities, towns, townships, libraries, schools and special districts will use the Engagement Uploads to upload files containing financial and governmental unit information on Sateway to allow the SSOA to conduct audit planning and audit processes prior to on-site work at a unit. This remote process will provide for more efficient data processing and save audit costs for our clients.

A user guide for the Engagement Uploads is available and located at: <a href="https://ladaway/ifonline.org/upsrquides/engagementpuide">https://ladaway/ifonline.org/upsrquides/engagementpuide</a> it is pertinent that this user guide be used in continuation with this lifear-time. It provides critical information to you that will balls quide you to indeed for continuation with this lifear-time. It provides critical information to you that will balls quide you to indeed for the continuation of the con State Examiner
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Files required to be uploaded for the Files required to be uploaded for Monthly months of the months of July 2018 to November 2020\* **Uploads** December 2020 and thereafter\* ■ Bank Reconcilement ☐ Bank Reconcilement ■ Approved Board Minutes **□**Bank Statements ☐ Funds Ledger **Summary** □Outstanding Check List □ Approved Board Minutes of ☐ Funds Ledger **Updates** \*The last submission will be for November files on January 15, 2021 \*This will start with the December upload due February 15, 2021. Indiana State Board of Accounts 3

A bank reconcilement is a document that shows you balanced the bank statement balance to your ledger balance.

Bank Balance \$\_\_\_\_\_

Plus Deposits in Transit

Minus Outstanding Checks

Plus/Minus other reconciling items

Ledger Balance \$\_\_\_\_\_

You should upload a bank reconcilement for each bank account.

You can upload multiple documents.

# Monthly Uploads

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Bank Statements A bank statement is the document you receive from your bank each month showing the beginning balance, each deposit, each check cleared, other activity, and ending balance.

You should include all pages, included pages that show copies of cancelled checks.

You should upload this for each bank account.

You can upload multiple documents.

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# Monthly Uploads

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Outstanding Check List

The outstanding check list is the list of checks that have been written but have not yet cleared the bank account.

- Check Number
- □ Check Amount
- □ Total

You should upload this for each bank account.

The total should agree with the amount on the bank reconciliation. You can upload multiple documents.

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# Monthly Uploads

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Approved Board Minutes Approved board minutes are required for all boards or commissions if they could have a financial impact.

If the minutes are online, you can provide the link instead of uploading the minutes.

If the board does not meet each month, only upload the minutes for the months that they do meet.

Upload the minutes to the month that the meeting took place, not the month they were approved.

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## FAQs - Board Minutes

Should the board minutes that are uploaded be approved board minutes?

Yes. Since you have two months to upload the board minutes, you should be able to upload the approved minutes if you meet monthly.

If the board does not meet monthly and the board minutes will not be approved by the due date, should I upload the minutes that haven't been signed by the Board President and Secretary?

Yes, you can upload minutes that have not been signed. But once you have the signed version, you should upload the signed minutes.

The April board minutes were approved at the June board meeting. Under which month should they be uploaded?

The board minutes should be uploaded under the month the meeting took place, not when they were approved. So they would be uploaded with the April monthly uploads.

If our board has a special meeting or an executive meeting, other than their normal monthly meetings, do I upload the board minutes?

No, it is not necessary to upload executive or special meeting minutes.

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# Monthly Uploads

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Funds Ledger Computerized Records The Funds Ledger is a report that shows the summary of the:

- ☐ beginning balance,
- ☐ total receipts,
- ☐ total disbursements and
- ☐ ending balance of each fund for the month.

If you have a computer system and are not sure what report has this information, check with your software vendor for assistance.

An Excel File is preferred if you have computerized records but is not required.

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# Monthly Uploads

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Funds Ledger
Manual
Records

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- ☐ total disbursements and
- ☐ ending balance of each fund for the month.

If you have manual records, you can upload a scan or photo of your manual records that include this data.

We have provided a <u>Manual Records Template</u> in the User Guide and on our web page that allows you to input the information into an Excel spreadsheet that you can upload to fulfill this requirement if you prefer.

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## Monthly Uploads – Due Dates

The dates these files are due each month are below:

- January monthly files March 15th
- February monthly files April 15th
- March monthly files May 15th
- April monthly files June 15th
- May monthly files July 15th
- · June monthly files August 15th
- July monthly files September 15th
- · August monthly files October 15th
- September monthly files November 15th
- October monthly files December 15th
- November monthly files January 15th
- December monthly files February 15th

To upload the file, you must have the document in one of the following file types on your computer:

xls, xlsx, doc, docx, jpg, pdf, gif, tif, or png.

Excel files are preferred.

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### Annual Files required for March 1, 2021 and thereafter

- \* Year End Bank Statements
- Year End Outstanding Checklist
- Year End Investment Statements
- · Detail of Receipts
- Detail of Disbursements
- Current Year Salary Ordinance and Amendments
- Annual Vendor History Report
- · Annual Funds Ledger
- Annual Payroll History Report (without SSN)

## Annual Files required for March 1, 2020 and prior

- Year End Bank Statements
- Year End Outstanding Checklist
- Year End Investment Statements
- · Detail of Receipt Activity
- · Detail of Disbursement Activity
- Current Year Salary Ordinance
- Annual Vendor History Report

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# Annual Uploads

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Year End Investment Statements Year End Investment Statements - A statement or documentation that shows the balance of the investment (such as a certificate of deposit) at the end of the year.

If you do not receive a statement at the end of the year, you may upload documents that show when the investment or certificate of deposit was purchased and the value at the time it was purchased.

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# Annual Uploads

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Detail of Receipts Detail of Receipts is a transaction level listing of receipts including the following information:

- receipt numbers,
- date received,
- amount of receipt,
- fund posted to,
- and who it was received from.

Please upload an Excel file if possible or a searchable PDF.

This is not required if you have hand posted records.

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Detail of Disbursements is transaction level listing of disbursements including the following information:

- check numbers,
- date disbursed,
- a mount of disbursement,
- fund posted to,
- and vendor/payee names.

Please upload an Excel file if possible or a searchable PDF.

This is not required if you have hand posted records.

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# Annual Uploads - Optional Excel Data Capture

An optional Excel data capture (data dump) may be uploaded in lieu of Detail of Receipts and Detail of Disbursement Reports. Check with your software vendor to see if this available to you.

This should include receipts including receipt numbers, date received, amount of receipt, fund posted to, and who it was received from. This should also include disbursements including check numbers, date disbursed, amount of disbursement, fund posted to, and vendor/payee names



For disbursements, include –

- check numbers,
- ☐ date disbursed,
- amount of disbursement.
- ☐ fund posted to,
- and vendor/payee names

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# Annual Uploads

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Salary Ordinance Current Year Salary Ordinance is the salary resolution/schedule for the year you are uploading.

Any amendments to the salary resolution/schedule should also be uploaded.

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# Annual Uploads

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Annual Vendor History Report

- The Annual Vendor History Report shows the total amount disbursed to each vendor/payee for the year.
- This is not required if you have hand posted records.

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Annual
Uploads —
Annual Funds
Ledger
Computerized
Records

Annual Funds Ledger is a report that shows the summary of the following information:

- beginning balance,
- total receipts,
- total disbursements
- and ending balance of each fund for the year.

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Annual Uploads

Annual Funds Ledger <u>Manual</u> Records The Annual Funds Ledger is equivalent to the General Form No. 360, also known as City and Town Form 206 – Clerk Treasurer's, City Controller's, and City Treasurer's Monthly Financial Statements. It shows each fund, the beginning of month balance, receipts for the month, disbursements for the month, and the end of the month cash balance. The Special Districts Manual has an illustrated copy of this form on page 13-11.

The following information should be uploaded:

- beginning balance,
- total receipts,
- total disbursements
- ☐ and ending balance of each fund for the year.

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# Annual Uploads

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Annual Payroll History Report

The Annual Payroll History Report should be without social security numbers.

This report should include at a minimum the following information for all payroll checks issued for the year.

- the date,
- employee name,
- gross wages,
- and check number

An Excel file is preferred or a searchable PDF.

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# Annual Uploads

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Due Date

These documents are due the same date as the Annual Financial Report:

### March 1

To upload the file, you must have the document in one of the following file types on your computer: xls, xlsx, doc, docx, jpg, pdf, gif, tif, or png.

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# Direct Request Uploads

Any documents that you must upload in addition to the Monthly and Annual Uploads are called Direct Request Uploads.

You will receive an email requesting the document to upload. If you have questions about the content of the data being requested, e-mail the examiner assigned to your engagement.

The Direct Request e-mail will include the subject line "State Board of Accounts Engagement Upload Request" and will be similar to the following:

- From: no-reply-gateway@sboa.in.gov
- Re: State Board of Accounts Engagement Upload Request

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### Can only one file be uploaded for each type of document?

No. You can upload as many files as you need to in each category (bank reconcilement, board minutes, etc.)

### For the annual uploads, do I need to upload my bank statements and outstanding check lists?

The bank statements and outstanding check lists are now part of the monthly uploads. For more information, see the <u>Monthly Uploads</u> section.

### Are the documents uploaded through this Gateway application available to the public?

No. The documents uploaded in this application are for the State Board of Accounts use only and are not available to the public on the Gateway public website.

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# Getting Help

For technical problems (e.g. server error messages) contact Indiana Business Research Center (IBRC) at ibrctech@iupui.edu.

For other questions concerning the Monthly and Annual Engagement Upload Process or Logins, contact <a href="mailto:gateway@sboa.in.gov">gateway@sboa.in.gov</a>

For questions on the required content of the Monthly and Annual Engagement Uploads, contact specialdistricts@sboa.in.gov.

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# What is a Virtual/Remote Audit?

Email, Telephone, Video Conferences

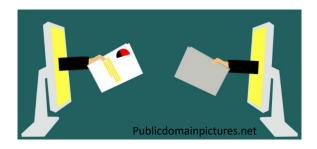
COVID -19 Protocol

Forms Prior to Audit

Gateway Direct Request email

Monthly & Annual Uploads

Computer webcam/microphone or telephone



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### Communication

#### Weekly Contact

- Teams Video Calls
- Telephone Calls
- Emails

### Items to be discussed

- Records or Information needed
- Questions related to audit work
- · Progress of the audit
  - Schedule
- · Any concerns you may have

**Direct Requests for Uploads** 



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# **Direct Requests**

### How do I know a request has been made?

Email from no-reply-gateway@sboa.in.gov

Request for specific file or item with detailed description

Instructions on how to upload

• through Monthly and Annual Engagement Uploads

### What do I do?

Acknowledge request

Provide time-frame

Email field examiner when item has been uploaded





Submit

Upload

Date

Uploaded

Ву

**Download Delete** 

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**Status** 

# **Direct Requests**

Scroll down passed monthly and annual uploads to see -

2019 Required Uploads



# What documents are normally requested?

Written policies and procedures (Internal Controls, Travel, Employee Benefits, etc.)

**Internal Control Training Certifications** 

Board Minutes (include to current date)

Resolutions

Contracts

Financial Records (ledger)

Bank Reconcilements and Bank Statements

Grant Awards and Agreements (Federal and State)

**Debt Documents** 

Capital Assets Schedule

Receipts

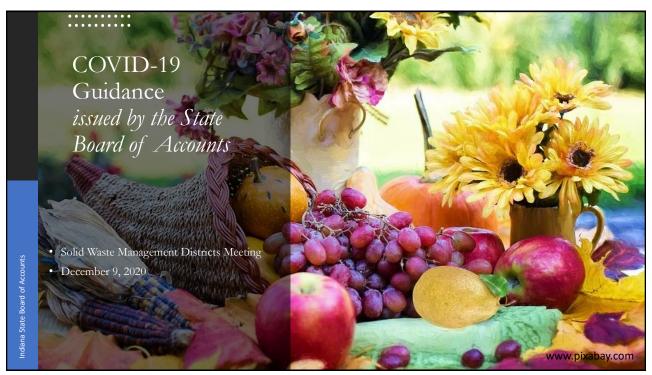
Accounts Payable Vouchers with supporting documentation

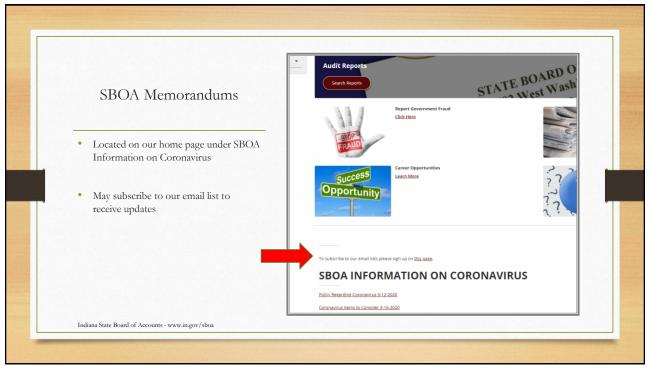
Payroll records

Financial Reports filed with other State or Federal Agencies (withholdings)









# Policies - Coronavirus Guidance Issued: Policy Regarding Coronavirus 3-12-2020 Travel Work environment Employee benefits and compensation Coronavirus Items to Consider 3-16-2020 Assistance During COVID-19 3-31-2020 NA to special districts - mainly cities, towns, counties providing assistance to local businesses Indiana State Board of Accounts - www.in.gov/sboa

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# Continuity of Essential Operations Guidance Issued: Continuity of Essential Operations 4-30-2020 Develop a plan to continue essential operations through a sustained period of absenteeism FEMA Toolkit SBOA Items to Consider

# Communication about Alternate Operations

- Guidance Issued:
- Communications about Alternative Operations due to COVID-19, 11-18-2020
  - Plan to keep operations ongoing when your office is closed or staff is reduced
  - Keep SBOA informed
    - · Provide information listed in memorandum

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## Other Considerations

### Guidance Issued:

- Temporary Transfer of Funds 4-9-2020
  - IC 36-1-8-4
- Electronic Signatures 4-14-20
  - IC 26-2-8
  - · SBOA will not take audit exception
- State Examiner Directive 2020-1
  - · Timely Deposits
  - · Board approval of claims

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## COVID Grant Accounting

### Guidance Issued:

COVID Grant Accounting and Appropriations 4-29-2020; Updated 9-29-2020

- Must establish a separate grant fund for each grant
- Must account for all transactions in separate fund
  - may reverse expenses from original fund to record in grant fund
  - may spend directly from grant fund (does not apply to IFA grants)
  - · separate grant fund is appropriated locally

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## Coronavirus Relief Fund Grants Administered through IFA

These memorandums will apply <u>only if</u> your district has received a <u>Coronavirus Relief Fund</u> grant through your municipality or county. These grants are administered at the State level by the <u>Indiana Finance Authority</u>.

#### Guidance Issued:

Financial Reporting and Reimbursement for CARES Funds 8-27-20
State Examiner Directive 2020-3 — Grants through IFA only
Questions about CARES Act Reimbursed through IFA 10-28-2020
Coronavirus Relief Fund Guidance 4-23-2020
Coronavirus Relief Fund FAQs 7-8-2020

- Must establish separate grant fund
- Must account for all transactions in the grant fund
- Must incur original expense in an appropriated fund
- Must reverse expense to record in grant fund
- No spending directly from grant fund
   fund will have a zero balance

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# Enhanced Regulatory Basis of Accounting

Guidance: Enhanced Regulatory - Delayed Implementation 4-27-2020

- 2019 Updates to the Annual Financial Report are in place
- 2020 Updates to the Annual Financial Report are postponed

No major changes to the Annual Financial Report this year!

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## Fraud Schemes

### Guidance Issued:

- Fraud Schemes 5-11-2020
- Fraudulent Checks
- Ransomware
- Other

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# IC 5-11-1-27

- Report of material loss, shortage, variance, or theft
  - Report immediately to the SBOA
- Report of misappropriation no materiality threshold
  - Report immediately in writing to the SBOA and County Prosecutor

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# State Board of Accounts Year-end Duties

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2020



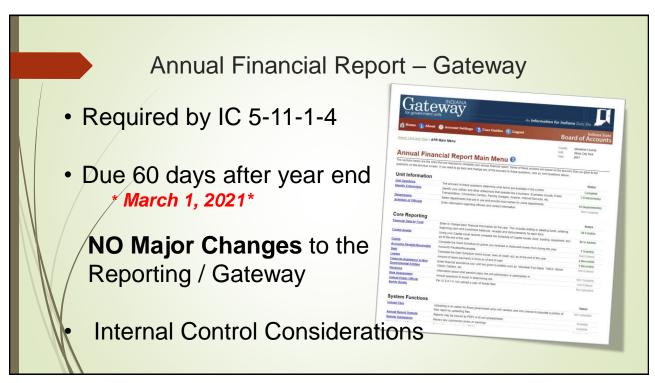
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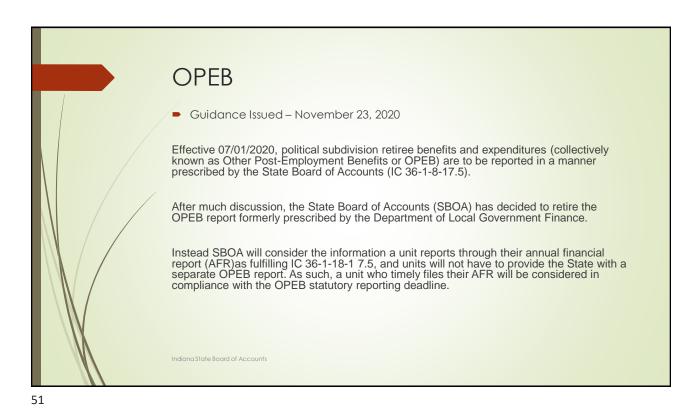
### End of Year Duties - Part 1

- Annual Financial Report Gateway
- Form 100-R Gateway
- Monthly & Annual Uploads Gateway







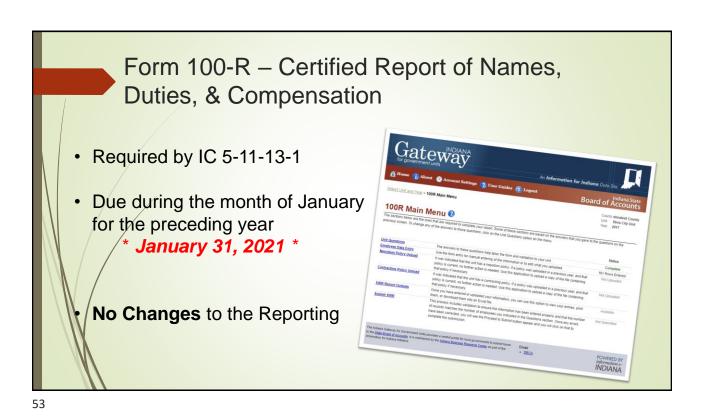


Annual Financial Report - Miscellaneous

Risk Assessment Questions

7. Does anyone review the completed bank reconcilements?

24. Have items included in the most recent SBOA report been adequately corrected?





### End of Year Duties - Part 2

- Cancellation of Warrants
- Names & Addresses to County Treasurer



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### Cancellation of Warrants

Indiana Code 5-11-10.5: Cancellation of Warrants

**Old Outstanding Checks** 

All checks outstanding and unpaid for a period 2 years as of December 31 of each year shall be declared cancelled.

### Cancellation of Warrants

Indiana Code 5-11-10.5: Cancellation of Warrants

- March 1 fiscal officer prepares list of all outstanding checks for 2 years or more
- File list of checks with the district board
- Fiscal officer keeps a copy

"Old" (or stale) checks are receipted back to your ledger into the fund(s) from which they were originally drawn and removed from the outstanding check list. If fund(s) can't be determined – put in General fund.

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## Names & Addresses to County Treasurer

- June 1 & December 1
- Disbursing officer shall certify
  - □ name
  - □ address

of each person who has money due to them from the district.

 County Treasurer shall search their records to ascertain if anyone on the list is delinquent in payment of property taxes. [IC 6-1.1-22-14]

### Names & Addresses to County Treasurer

IC 6-1.1-22-15 -

If the county treasurer finds that a person whose name is certified is delinquent in the payment of taxes, the treasurer shall certify the name of that person and the amount of delinquency to the official of the political subdivision who is to make payment to the person.

The disbursing officer <u>shall</u> periodically make deductions from money due the person and shall pay the amount of these deductions to the county treasurer. (*our emphasis*).

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### End of Year Duties - Part 3

- Appropriation Transfers
- Encumbrances
- Dormant Fund Balances
- Internal Control Considerations



### **Appropriation Transfers**

Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-6: Transfers of appropriations

Transfers from one major budget classification to another within a department or office if:

- It is determined that the transfer is necessary;
- The transfer does not require the expenditure of more money than the total amount set out in the budget;
- The transfer is made at a regular public meeting and by resolution.
  - Such a transfer can be made without notice and without approval of DLGF

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### **Encumbrances**

### **Encumbered** Appropriations:

Those items under <u>purchase order</u> or <u>contract</u> are to be added for each appropriation account and the total carried to the new 2021 corresponding account.

The actual unpaid amount of the purchase orders or contracts should be totaled and shown as a separate amount on the appropriation ledger for 2021 (with proper explanation) and added to the 2021 appropriation for the same purpose.

### **Encumbrances**

### **Encumbered Appropriations**

By carrying out this procedure, the 2021 budget will not be expected to stand any expense not anticipated in making the budget.

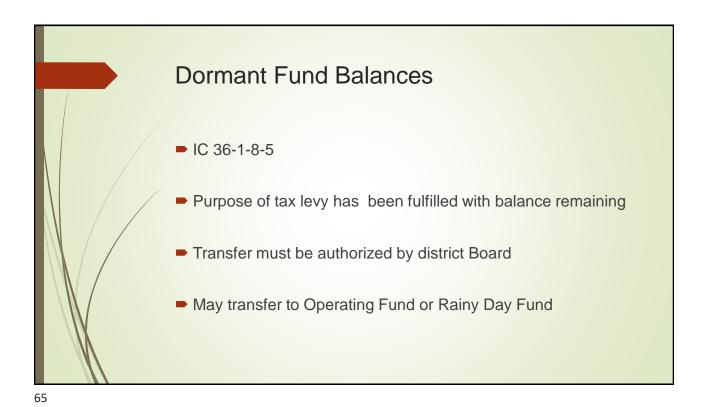
### We recommend:

- The district board make a listing of these encumbered items
- make it a part of their minutes in their last business meeting of the year

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### **Encumbrances**

The appropriations encumbered and carried forward can be used for <u>no other purpose</u> other than the purchase order or contract for which they were appropriated.



Internal Controls - Year End Considerations

Review and Document Procedures

Review for evidence of procedures being performed as intended

Evaluate effectiveness

Change accordingly



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